

## LAWYERS VIOLATE BY MEN IN HIGH PLACES

Leading Traffic Officials of Many Principal Railway Lines and Big Packing House Men Sharply Arraigned by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

## THOUSANDS PAID IN ILLEGAL REBATES

Congress Called Upon to Enact Laws That Will Give the Commission Power to Stop the Evil Practice and Also to Put an End to the Inimical Arrangements By Which Secret and Discriminating Rates Are Made.

The annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, transmitted to Congress today, urgently repeats former requests for such additional legislation as will give the Commission power to correct evils not touched upon by the present laws.

On the subject of recent investigations into the movements of packing house products the Commission says:

"That the leading traffic officials of many of the principal railway lines, men occupying high positions and charged with the most important duties, should deliberately violate the statute law of the land, and in some cases agree with each other to do so; that it should be thought by them necessary to destroy vouchers and to so manipulate bookkeeping as to obliterate evidence of the transactions; that hundreds of thousands of dollars should be paid in unlawful rebates to a few great packing houses; that the business of railroad transportation, the most important one in the country today, paying the highest salaries and holding out to young men the greatest inducements, should to such an extent be conducted in open disregard of law, must be surprising and offensive to all right-minded persons."

**Big Packers Involved.**  
"Equally startling at least is the fact that the owners of those packing houses, men whose names are known throughout the commercial world, should seemingly be eager to augment their gains with the enormous amounts of these rebates which they receive in plain defiance of a Federal statute."

"These facts carry their own comment, and nothing said by us can add to their significance."

"We certainly believe that existing laws should be so amended that railway managers who desire to observe them can do so without risk of sacrificing their property."

The Commission comments vigorously upon the fact that it has been judicially determined that a corporation is not liable for violation of these laws, and that the agent alone can be punished.

Attention is called to the fact that only a nominal fine can be assessed when common carriers depart from the published tariffs unless there is actually discrimination between different shippers which fact is most difficult to prove.

In addition to other reforms the Commission asks Congress for enlarged power of the law.

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AS BAND PLAYED DIRGE

Mrs. Soranto Tries to Throw Herself From Window.

MOURNERS PREVENTED TRAGEDY

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—As the body of wealthy Nicholas Soranto was about to be carried from his late home, 225 Bedford Avenue, Williamsburg, to the solemn strains of a funeral march his widow made a desperate attempt at suicide by throwing herself from a third-story window.

Mourners seized her just as she was about to leap, and held her suspended by her skirts until help appeared, and the woman was pulled back to the house.

Her Life Feared For.

Soranto was a retired cobbler, and possessed much property. His death last Sunday was due to pneumonia, and his demise greatly affected his wife. It was feared that "she might make an attempt on her own life, and close watch was kept upon her."

"Soranto was a member of the George Washington Lodge of Masons. This body paraded yesterday afternoon with a band of forty pieces in its parade was a hearse heavily draped and drawn by four horses. The band played solemn airs, and when the house where the dead lay was reached the throng in the street saw the front shutter of the Soranto house thrown violently open.

A Thrilling Sight.

A moment later the people in the street were horrified to see the widow appear at the open window with her hair disheveled and make a desperate attempt to end her life. She was just leaping when two other women in the room seized her skirts.

Instantly there was a rush of mourners to the front windows of the house. The band stopped playing and many people ran to the sidewalk ready to catch the desperate woman. Mrs. Soranto, screaming

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The best that Money and Experience can produce. 25¢

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## BATTLE OF SANTIAGO FOUGHT OVER AGAIN

Plans of Chicagoans During Admiral Schley's Visit.

## FAMOUS LOOP ON RAGING CANAL

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Despite all the extensive preparations which the Hamilton Club has made for the entertainment of Rear-Admiral Schley while he is in Chicago the Drainage Board has hit upon a scheme which is likely to give him more genuine excitement than any other that has been suggested.

## Fireworks Omitted.

This is to be a realistic reproduction of the battle of Santiago, with the fireworks barred only as a measure of safety. The trustees will invite the admiral to take command of the little tug Juliet and pilot their fleet down the canal. He will be expected to stand on the captain's deck, garbed in the same conspicuous uniform of white which he wore when he was in the Brooklyn. When he meets the coal barge Texas, just this side of Sag Bridge, the admiral is to give the order "Hard-a-port."

## To Ram the Texas.

The pilot is to sing out: "We will ram the Texas," and the admiral is expected to reply in the words: "Up-a the Texas; let her look out for herself."

At Lemont Admiral Schley is to be intercepted with orders directing him to make a formidable blockade and keep a sharp lookout for the enemy. The "tip" is to be sent to him that a scout has reported the enemy at Lockport and he is to be ordered by the "Secretary of the Navy" to proceed thither without delay to engage the shore batteries and prevent the escape of those who will be assembled to tender a reception.

The admiral is to send this dispatch to the Secretary:

"Regret that it is impossible for me to

obey the orders of the department; please

notify Admiral Jones."

But the sea, according to programme,

will grow calmer, the admiral will order the engines reversed, the retrograde movement will end, and the boat will again head for Lockport. There he is expected to give an exhibition of the famous "loop" and other maneuvers incident to the battle of Santiago.

In accordance with the plans the return trip will be devoid of incident.

## No Obstacle.

This is the scheme which originated in the brain of Trustee Webb, who brought it before the Sanitary Board. Some of the members doubted the practicability of such a trip in midwinter, but Mr. Webb brushed the objections aside, saying that a man of Admiral Schley's temperament and habits "wouldn't mind a little thing like that." The question was further discussed by the board. The president was directed to confer with the president of the Hamilton Club, whose guest Admiral Schley is to be, and urge that the trip down the drainage channel be arranged as an appropriate part of the entertainment.

Admiral and Mrs. Schley will leave Washington Friday morning at 10:45 o'clock over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, for Chicago, in a private car, arriving here Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

## For Uniform Marriage Laws.

Representative Nelson introduced resolutions yesterday providing constitutional amendments giving Congress the right to pass uniform marriage and divorce laws and to suppress combinations in restraint of trade.

## Disfigured Skin

Wasted muscles and decaying bones. What havoc! Scrofula, let alone, is capable of all that, and more.

It is commonly marked by bunches in the neck, inflammation in the eyes, dyspepsia, catarrh, and general debility. It is always radically and permanently cured by

## Hood's Sarsaparilla

Which expels all humors, cures all eruptions, and builds up the whole system, whether young or old.

Hood's Sarsaparilla cures the non-itching and only reliable skin disease, the non-itching and only reliable skin disease, the non-itching and only reliable skin disease.

## KING'S PALACE DEPARTMENT STORES

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## GREEN TICKET SALE.

Our famous Friday sale is more important than ever tomorrow—made so by the offering of several small lots of desirable wearables at sensationally low prices.

In the sale are twenty of the best bargains of the season.

## Green Ticket Prices on WRAPS.

\$10.00 Auto Coats..... \$4.98

27-inch American Woolen Mills All-wool Kersey Broadcloth Automobile Coats—in black, tan, and castor—made with velvet or storm collar; half tight fitting; with and without yoke; same value others offer at \$10; for \$4.98.

\$12 and \$15 Auto Coats..... \$7.50

42-inch American Woolen Mills All-wool Black, Tan, and Castor Kersey Broadcloth Automobile Coats, half tight fitting; with and without yoke; the same stylish garments sold elsewhere at \$12 and \$15; for \$7.50.

Misses' and Child's \$5 and \$6 Auto Coats..... \$2.75

Misses' and Child's Automobile Coats, made of American Woolen Mills All-wool full dress length, and with or without yoke; plain or braided trim; and in all sizes from 6 to 14 years; in castor, blue, and black—at \$2.75; worth \$5 and \$6.

\$15.00 Kersey Raglans..... \$8.90

Lot of very stylish Kersey Broadcloth Raglans, in black and blue; with velvet collars and turned cuffs; with yoke backs and thoroughly fashionable; actual value is \$15; choice of these for \$8.90.

\$10.00 Raglans..... \$5.50

Women's Melton Cloth Raglans, in Oxford, black, and grey; half tight fitting; with yoke; loose fitting with yoke; with velvet collars and turned cuffs; lined to waist; \$5.50 instead of \$10 and \$12.50.

\$29 Coats, \$17.50.

Three long model coats, made of Kersey's fine all-wool kersey—one an English paddock effect—one with pleated skirt—one a strapped effect—all with triple welt cuffs—elegantly made and satin lined—extra fashionable—dozens like them sold for \$29. Choice for \$17.50.

\$20 Coats, \$14.98.

Three handsome Kersey Broadcloth Coats—with tan velvet collars and cuffs—tailor-fitted—finished with strap seams—satin lined—originally \$20. Choice for \$14.98.

\$30 Raglans, \$15.98.

Three full-length Raglans—made of American Woolen Mills all-wool kersey—with yoke front and back—with turned cuffs and heavier for collar—one castor and two tans—formerly \$30—to go at \$15.98.

\$5 to \$8 Golf Capes, \$3.50.

Ten Golf Capes—made of all-wool shawling in red, black, and blue—formerly \$5 to \$8—choice of them for \$3.50.

\$5 dress and walking skirts, \$2.95.

A lot of Dress Skirts of All-wool Cloth; and also a lot of Walking Skirts, full width and finished with strap seams—satin lined—Formerly \$5.00, for \$2.95.

\$8 and \$10 Skirts, \$4.50.

Two Corduroy Velvet Skirts—one which sold for \$8; one which sold at \$10; one with flounces, and one plain. Choice for \$4.50.

\$8 Plush Capes, 98c.

Exactly eight Plush Capes, 8 inches long, embroidered and fine trimmed, to go at 98c.

\$8 to \$10 Suits, \$4.50.

22 Women's All-wool Cloth Suits—odds and ends which sold for \$8 to \$10—in Etons, single and double-breasted—plain and trimmed. Choice for \$4.50.

15 Silk Waists, \$1.48.

15 Taffeta Silk Waists in assortment of colors—up-to-date styles—very desirable. Sold for \$5—formerly for \$1.48.

50c Felt Hats, 21c

Choice of Untrimmed Felt Hats, embracing Bright-finish Hats, French and Wool-felts—Plain and Camellia effect—in shortbacks, ready-to-wear shapes, turbans, sailors, hats, etc.—in all leading colors and black—all of which formerly sold for 50c to 42c for 21c.

4c for imported black and also white wings up to 50c.

9c for genuine Austrian Plumes, 8 inches long—black, heliotrope, violet, and maize—sold for 50c.

Trimmed Hats Cut.

They shall all go in the reduction—even the finest—even the handsomest.

\$1.48 for \$3 and \$4 Hats.

\$2.48 for \$5 to \$7.50 Hats.

10c for 19c and 25c Taffeta Ribbons.

The fashionable 3½-inch (No. 46) Lustrous Metallic Taffeta Ribbons, which we guarantee all silk; in 3½-inch latest shades, in plain and fancy effects; selling at 19c and 25c elsewhere; tomorrow for 10c; and, also, where not remnants, but are cut from full pieces.

23c for 30c and 40c Ribbons in all colors—2 in a bunch.

22c for large bunch Violets—natural shade—sold for 25c.

Wrappers, 69c.

Heavy Flannellette and Teasel Cloth Wrappers—with deep flounces—with fancy brettles over the shoulders and blocked ruffles—finished with braided—some trimmed with ribbons—others with velvet—values up to \$2.50, for 69c.

Children's 12½c Hose, 7½c.

Children's Past Black Ribber Hose; knees—lined heels and toes—all sizes—7½c.

Children's Underwear, 15c.

Odds and ends Children's ribbed underwear—heavily fleeced—with silk drawing tape—crocheted neck—white and grey—values to match—25c and 20c, values for 15c.

Women's Vests, 22c.

Odds and ends Women's Flannel-lined Vests—silk finish at neck—pearl buttons—panta to match—22c instead of 50c.

Corset Covers.

Women's Muslin Corset Covers, fitted seams, and pearl buttons. Our special price, 60c. Not more than two to any one buyer.

Drawers.

Women's Cambric and Muslin Drawers, with umbrella flounce, finished with Hamburg Insertion, 26-inch ruffle. All sizes. Our special price, 19c. Not more than two to any one buyer.

\$1 Waists, 75c.

Lot of odds and ends of colored flannel waists—with fine tucked front and back—finished with velvet buttons—button front—back—colored and black for 75c, instead of 21c.

## THE SENATE PROGRAMME.

## Philippine Tariff Question to Be Taken Up First.

The Republican programme in the Senate is outlined by Senator Allison, who is in full command as chairman of the Republican steering committee, to be to dispose of the Philippine tariff question, then take up the problem of relief for Cuba, and next determine what is to be done in regard to the proposed reduction of the war tax, after which the Isthmian Canal question. The Senator says:

"We must push the Philippine bill to a conclusion, for the Administration is anxious that the question should be settled with as little delay as possible. Our friends on the other side desire to debate it at some length, so I imagine it may take a week or more before we reach a vote. We will have to wait for the House to act on the Cuban question before taking up the relief measure. The proposition to reduce the war tax also has to originate in the House, so we will have to wait until that measure comes to us. Some reasonable concession will be made to Cuba. In the meantime we may take up the canal question and consider it. As it originally stood, there was no doubt about the Nicaragua Canal bill, but in view of recent developments it may take more time to dispose of the canal question."

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

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## BOSTON WRITES THE PRINCE.

## City Would Like to Have Kaiser's Brother There.

BOSTON, Jan. 23.—Mayor Collins has sent the following letter to Baron von Holleben, German Ambassador at Washington:

"Your Excellency: I have the honor, through you, to extend an invitation to his royal and imperial highness, Prince Henry, and his staff to visit Boston as the guests of the city. If the engagements of the prince will permit his acceptance it will give me great pleasure to make the necessary arrangements for his proper reception."

## CAPTURED BY THE BOERS.

A British Party of Twenty-five Forced to Surrender.

PRETORIA, Jan. 23.—A party of twenty-five of the Imperial Yeomanry who were protecting native grass cutters at Lindkopjespruit today were attacked by 150 Boers and forced to surrender. The Boers lost six killed and four wounded. The British casualties were one killed and seven wounded. Four natives were killed.

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